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Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (amended) A compound 8 to 50 nucleobases in length targeted to nucleobases 65 through 84, nucleobases 299 through 361, nucleobases 503 through 516, or nucleobases 518 through 728 of a coding region, nucleobases 996 through 1205, or nucleobases 1579 through 1598 of a 3' untranslated region of a nucleic acid molecule (SEQ ID NO: 3) encoding insulin-like growth factor binding protein 5, nucleobases 11 through 30 or nucleobases 584 through 603 of a nucleic acid molecule (SEQ ID NO: 10) encoding insulin-like growth factor binding protein 5, an intron or an intron/exon junction region of a nucleic acid molecule (SEQ ID NO: 11) encoding insulin-like growth factor binding protein 5, or nucleobases 197 through 216 of a 3' untranslated region of a nucleic acid molecule (SEQ ID NO: 12) encoding insulin-like growth factor binding protein 5, wherein said compound specifically hybridizes with one of said regions and inhibits the expression of insulin-like growth factor binding protein 5.

3. (amended) The compound of claim 2 wherein the antisense compound has a sequence comprising SEQ ID NO: 14, 15, 16, 17, 18,